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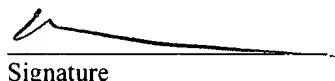
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 7, 2005, please consider the following:

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The Examiner has alleged that the claims should be restricted to one of the following groups:

**Group I** Claims 1-36 and 46-47, drawn to a method to automatically determine an electric charge-related characteristic, classified in class 204, subclass 519;

**Group II** Claims 37-45, drawn to a capillary particle electrophoretic mobility distribution determining apparatus, classified in class 204, subclass 602;

**Group III** Claims 48-49, drawn to a data carrier, classified in class 204, subclass 612;

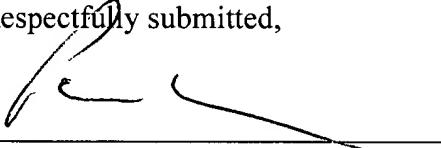
**Group IV** Claims 50-53, drawn to a measurement cell, classified in class 204, subclass 615.

As required under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicant hereby elects **Group II** with claims 37-45 readable thereon for further prosecution.

Applicant makes these elections without prejudice to the prosecution of the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

It is not believed that there is any fee due. However, if any fee is due, or if any overpayment has been made, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fee or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 02-4377.

Respectfully submitted,



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